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Application Serial No. 10/722.816 )  
Applicant Myer Hecht ) Filed In Group Art Unit 2854  
Filing Date: November 26, 2003 ) File No. P003  
A Low Cost Printing Press Method and )  
Apparatus With A Printing Plate Which )  
Eliminates Fountain Solution Therefrom )

Applicant's Petition To make Special Because of Age

Applicant's Attorney hereby requests on behalf of his client Myer Hecht, who is 84 years of age and of poor health, the special examination and handling of this application. Mr. Hecht is in the process of contacting potential licensees for the invention involved where the early allowance of this application would obviously be of great value to him in his licensing negotiations. This development is expected to greatly reduce the printing costs of the printing presses which use the invention for the reasons explained in the specification of the application.

Accordingly, the Patent Office is requested to act on this petition as quickly as possible. Since no filing fee is needed for a petition to make special for the age and health reasons explained above, applicant's attorney is faxing this Petition to the Patent Office today.

Respectfully submitted:

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